

# RECYCLING MARKET DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT OF GRANT FUNDING AVAILABILITY

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The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) announces grant funding availability through the Recycling Market Development Program (RMDP).

- **Grant Proposals will be accepted beginning August 29, 2016.**
- **Grant funding requests may range from \$1,000 up to \$500,000, with a 50 percent required match.**
- **Deadline for proposals is October 17, 2016.**

## **General Information**

### Available funds

The 2016 Recycling Market Development Program grant funding round has been expanded to consider projects that increase education and collection efforts in reaching the state's recycling goals.

Eligible candidates may seek a grant starting at \$1,000 and up to \$500,000, with a 50 percent required match. Successful applicants will be invited to enter into a grant agreement with IDEM to perform the work described within their proposal. Candidates will be based on the selection criteria identified in Attachment A.

The Recycling Market Development Board will make final funding decisions. Depending on the scope of work and cost per proposal, multiple projects are expected to be funded. Receipt of submission by IDEM does not imply a complete or successful proposal. Proposals forwarded by IDEM for Board review does not guarantee funding.

### Eligibility

Municipalities, non-profit organizations, educational institutions, and public and private businesses located and doing business in the state of Indiana are eligible to apply for funding.

Projects should focus on reuse, reduction, and recycling methods as established in [IC 4-23-5.5](#). This includes developing markets for or products from recycled materials. Manufacturers may also apply for funding to purchase new or retrofitting equipment necessary to reuse or recycle secondary materials.

Waste-to-energy projects are not eligible.

Applicants must be registered with the Office of the Secretary of State and in compliance with all federal, state, and local regulations.

Any questions regarding eligibility should be directed to one of the RMDP staff:

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### Questions/Inquiry Process

All questions/inquiries regarding this solicitation for proposals must be submitted by email by to [RMDPgrants@idem.in.gov](mailto:RMDPgrants@idem.in.gov). IDEM will compile a list of the most frequently asked questions/inquiries submitted. The responses will be posted to the IDEM website and regularly updated.

### Matching Funds Requirement

The RMDP requires 50 percent matching funds. In other words, if an applicant's project will incur an investment of \$200,000 total eligible costs, the applicant may apply for a \$100,000 grant and must have a match of \$100,000 in secured funds or leverage. This is termed a "50/50" match.

### Project Duration

Sponsored projects must be completed within one year from the issue date of the grant agreement.